

# EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT NETWORK NEWSLETTER

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*The gap between open jobs and unemployed individuals is slowly narrowing, but still remains at 7.6 M open jobs and 6.8 unemployed workers in the US.*  
-U.S. Chamber of Commerce

## RECENT WORKFORCE SHORTAGE UPDATES IN THE NEWS

### TRENDS IN WORKFORCE NEWS

» AI and the Future of Work  
» DEI

» Federal Cuts  
» Nursing

» Work visas

### TOP NEWS

- [A Healthy Solution to the Skilled Labor Shortage – Advanced Manufacturing](#)
- [The jobs most vulnerable under the next Trump administration - CNN](#)
- [The Productivity Tightrope: 2 Labor Force Trends That Could Slow The US Economy - Forbes](#)
- [Skills-based hiring is helping tech companies dig out of a talent shortage, report finds - Higher Ed Dive](#)
- [Stop Trying to Solve 2025's Labor Challenges With 1995's Playbook - For Construction Pros](#)
- [Inflation and Interest Rates: How Employers Should Prepare for 2025 - Working Nation](#)

## MULTIMEDIA ON WORKFORCE ISSUES



**Is Every Degree Worth the Investment?** - Career Education Report



**The Power of Career Education**  
Career Education Report



**Mike Rowe explains why there is a lack of 'will' to work in the US** - Fox Business

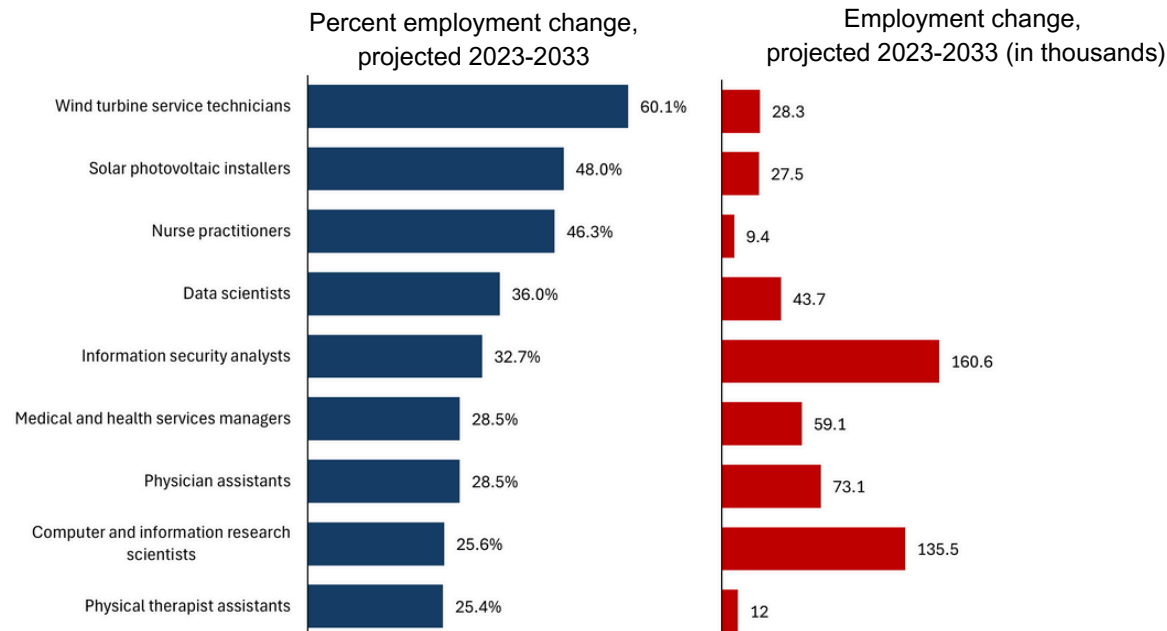
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# RECENT DATA

Career schools are uniquely positioned to train the next generation of skilled professionals and fulfill the demand of skilled talent that employers across the country need.


The recent report, *Career Education in the States*, details the most impacted industries and career fields that rely on these institutions to equip graduates with the skills needed to meet the demand.

## Ten fastest growing occupations, projected 2023–33




Median wage data are from the Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) program, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Wage data cover non-farm wage and salary workers and do not cover the self-employed, owners and partners in unincorporated firms, or household workers.


Graduates of for-profit colleges are well suited to fill many of these rapidly growing occupations in the coming decade as they confer high percentages of degrees/certificates in the following fields:




30.6% | Health & medical administrative servs




27.2% | LPN/vocational nurse training




22.4% | Physical therapy assistant




19.6% | Registered nursing/nurse



15.5% | Wind energy technology/technician



12.3% | Computer/information technology



9.8% | Solar energy technology/technician

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## NORTH AMERICAN CAREER EDUCATION CONVENTION

May 27-29, 2025 | Las Vegas, NV

Join the largest gathering of career colleges and skills training this year at the MGM Grand Las Vegas. The Convention was named a Top 2025 event to attend and is the leading opportunity to connect with career school leaders from across North America.

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